



Goldstone Primary School

Minutes of Full Governors Meeting – Monday 22 June 2015 at 7.15pm

Present: Corinne Davies Ian Munroe Jo Young Charlie Silver Burr
 John Cooper Helen Beaumont Gwenny Burch Rachel Davidson
 Anne-Mari Barker-D Rachel Baker Jim Browning Chris Pearson
 (A Keogh - Clerk) Apologies – Chris Lisney

Actions: Sporting Achievement List CP
 Music Room & Canopy Progress CP
 Internet Safety Training + Website CP/MS
 School Council contact Hove Partnership? CP
 Skills Audit JB/AK
 Website Working Party GWB, RB, AMBD
 Talk for Writing Leaflet CP

1.	AK welcomed those assembled and moved onto the Reconstitution.	
2.	<p><u>Reconstitution</u> The Instrument of Governance was distributed and agreed. Corinne Davies was re-elected as Chair and Anne-Mari as Vice Chair. Helen Beaumont / Jim Browning / John Cooper / Charlie Silver Burr were elected as co-opted governors.</p>	
3.	<p><u>Minutes of Last Meeting</u> – agreed. <u>Matters Arising</u> – none.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Head Teachers Report</u> Attendance and the new guidelines were discussed. The new attendance leaflet is on the website. Due to budgetary constraints time out of classroom for teachers will need to be reduced. List of our 2014-15 sporting achievements will be produced by the end of the year. The slow progress of the Music room was queried and CP will make this and the Reception canopy a priority in the next few weeks.</p>	CP CP
i.	<p><u>SEN Report</u> Progress in year 4 - due to moderation, should improve by the end of the year. Statements can be converted to Educational Health & Care Plans if the parent wishes. These are less precise than statements, but CD explained they allow for greater partnership and flexibility for children with very specific needs. CP thanked AG for her assuming the SENCo role while Mags was finishing year 2 SATs with her class. The school have been very disappointed with the poor communication we have received from Social Services recently.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Safeguarding Update</u> – JY and AMBD have both made governor visits and have submitted Visit reports. CP agreed to contact Paul Platts and will set a date for training for parents, but Internet Safety is discussed in school and MS (IT Co-Ord) has requested guidance from the LA for our website. All dangers, ‘Stranger Danger’ etc also need to be discussed. AMBD met with MN regarding the Safeguarding Audit and has seen the Single Central Record. The DBS update service was mentioned.</p>	CP



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6.	<u>Governor Issues</u>	CP	
i.	<u>Reconstitution</u> – completed		
ii.	<u>Governor Visits</u> –		
a.	<u>Student Voice (Council)</u> – JB presented his report and CD has written a letter congratulating Lisa, Marcus and Daisy which she read to those assembled. JB suggested giving them a budget and sharing good practice was suggested. CP agreed to contact the Hove Partnership schools to see whether they would like to hold a School Council Cluster meeting.		
b.	<u>Safeguarding Visit</u> – AMBD met with Marg Gibbs and Mags Newton. CPOMS was explained and Marg is going to implement this upon her return.		
c.	<u>SEN Visit</u> – JY attended governor training which prompted certain questions which Marg and Mags were able to answer.		
d.	<u>Modern Foreign Languages</u> – JC gave a verbal report. TA training was identified as an area to develop.		
e.	<u>PE</u> – JC gave a verbal report. Iso Aplin will be the new Co-ordinator.		
f.	<u>SRE</u> (Sex/Gender, Relationship Education) – AMBD attended the year 3 and 4 talks. JC attended training last week where this was referred to as RSE. AG said that new resources had been purchased for year 6 (she teaches the female only lesson). It was agreed the books that the school have regarding 'how families look' were excellent. The last staff training was 2 years ago. TA training on this matter has been identified as a priority.		
	<u>Safe and Well Survey</u> – JC queried this but CP decided not to take part in this survey as it is not uniformly administered therefore the results are not consistent, but each half term bullying is revisited each half term to ensure children feel well informed. This decision was challenged and discussed.		
g.	<u>Numeracy</u> – AMBD met with CSB to discuss the new national curriculum and action plan. CSB was congratulated on passing his MAST course.		
iii.	<u>Training & Development</u> RB – school Visits GWB, RB, IM – Raise Online CD, AMBD – attended Chairs Training AMBD & JB attended Chairs and Vice Chairs Training HB attended the EMAS conference. Goldstone was favourably mentioned at this training. CD, AMBD, IM – are attending Governance Strategy Training on Wednesday		
iv.	<u>Skills Audit</u> JB and AK will meet to discuss the results.		JB AK
7.	<u>Website</u> AMBD is aware of the importance of our website and governors responsibilities. Could we introduce a governor blog and where would this fit on our website? GWB, RB, AMBD agreed to meet and provide recommendations.		
8.	<u>Reports</u> i. Premises – the Health & Safety walk has taken place - agreed ii. Strategy – the Magenta principle is explained under SDP - agreed iii. Finance & HR – exit interviews – JB. JY, GWB w/c 6.7.15.'Vince in' is remotely accessing.		
9.	<u>Equalities Information</u> – distributed and discussed. (Circulate Guide for Recruiting Govs)		



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10.	<p><u>School Development Plan Update</u></p> <p>Green is achieved / Amber – not quite achieved / Red – requires more work.</p> <p>The Magenta principle is a book which explains knowing and learning and using, interrogating information. CP believes this will really assist in learning without levels. It was agreed the plan was clear and defined.</p>	
11.	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>i. Social Networking Policy – received.</p> <p>ii. Parental Engagement – GWB was in class for Family Reading on Friday and the Jack and the Beanstalk as part of Talk for Writing/Reading. CP will be writing a leaflet about this over the summer for parents.</p> <p>iii. The schools policy on open assemblies was commended.</p> <p>iv. IM is a member of the Governors Association who would like to introduce a Hove Governor Cluster who have arranged to meet with the Portslade and Central Brighton Governor Cluster, to see how this works.</p> <p>v. IM asked if everyone could please return the governor support questionnaires in the last update.</p> <p>vi. Summer Fayre – Friday 10 July, please come along.</p> <p>viii. CD thanked JC for his service and wished him every success in his sabbatical.</p>	CP